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Eric GERRITSEN et al.

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Serial No.: (not yet assigned)

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For: *PROCESS FOR FORMING A LOW RESISTIVITY TITANIUM  
SILICIDE LAYER ON A SILICON SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE  
AND THE RESULTING DEVICE*

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Anticipated Classification of this application:

Prior Application: 09/267,308

Class:

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Subclass:

Art Unit: 2814

## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a:

☐ continuation application☒ divisional application

pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of pending prior application Serial No. 09/267,308, filed March 12, 1999, for the invention entitled "PROCESS FOR FORMING A LOW RESISTIVITY TITANIUM SILICIDE LAYER ON A SILICON SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE AND THE RESULTING DEVICE" by inventors Eric Gerritsen, Bruno Baylac and Marie-Therese Basso.

1. [X] Enclosed are a specification, formal drawings, and a copy of the executed declaration as originally filed. No new matter has been added.
2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below (see also paragraph 5 below):

Claims After Amendment	Number Filed		Number Extra	SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
				Rate		Rate	
Total Claims	21	- 20 =	1	x \$ 9 =	\$	x \$ 18 =	\$ 18.00
Independent	2	- 3 =	0	x \$ 40 =	\$	x \$ 80 =	\$ 0
Basic Fee				Small Entity = \$355.00 Large Entity = \$710.00			\$710.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				+ \$135 =	\$	+ \$270 =	\$
Assignment Recording Fee				+ \$40 =	\$	+ \$40 =	\$
TOTAL FEE DUE =					\$		\$728.00

3. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee in the amount of \$728.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.
4. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.
5. [X] Cancel in this application original claims 22-<sup>29</sup>~~37~~ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ Related Application Data and Incorporation by Reference: Amend the specification by inserting before the first line:

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-- This is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/267,308, filed March 12, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_. The entire disclosure of prior application Serial No. 09/267,308 is herein incorporated by reference. --

7. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application.
8. ☒ Priority of patent application No. 98-03134 filed in France on March 13, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy of the priority application was filed in the prior application.
9. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: STMicroelectronics S.A. and Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.
10. ☒ The power of attorney appears in the original papers in the prior application.
11. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
12. ☐ The statement of Small Entity Status filed in the prior application is still proper.
13. ☒ Direct all correspondence to Customer Number 23334.

Respectfully submitted,

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